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Goodbye, Old Man Summer

Annual end-of-summer parade held in Crystal Beach



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Renovations at Lakeshore Catholic High School completed. See page 25.

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Sarah Ferguson Fort Erie Times

Niagara Regional Police were out in full force across Niagara Tuesday during the first day of the school to remind motorists to slow down, pay attention and follow the rules of the road. Every available officer working Tuesday participated in the 15th annual Back to School campaign. The goal of the initiative was to enforce traffic related offences and raise awareness for all, while reminding people of the return of students back to school. Niagara Regional Police officer Trevor Sals stood at the crosswalk on Central Avenue near Our Lady of Victory Catholic Elementary School and used a speed radar to track motorists' speed.

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Old Men Summer was laid to rest during the annual end of summer parade held in Crystal Beach on Saturday.



Photos by Annie Pasquariello Special to The Times

Local Band, Best Behaviour, provided entertainment at the annual end of summer parade held in Crystal Beach on Saturday. More photos on page 4.

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►POLICE BRIEF

Ridgeway man sentenced to 3 1/2 years following crash that killed NY state trooper

A Canadian truck driver who fatally injured a state trooper who

had pulled over another driver on the Thruway has been sentenced to 3 1/2 years in state prison.

Gary Bakley of Ridgeway, Ont., pleaded guilty in April to aggravated criminal negligent homicide.

The 66-year-old trucker was charged in the death of 35-year-old Trooper David Cunneff near Thruway Exit 27 in Amster-

dam in December 2013. Bakley's rig crashed into Cunneff's patrol car.

Cunneff's widow, Amy Cunneff, spoke at the sentencing last Tuesday, saying her husband was the most humble and gentle person she ever knew. The couple had two sons.

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Point of View

Drivers should use caution as students return to school

September has arrived and that means school is back in session.

Tuesday was the first day back to school for most students in the region and Niagara Regional Police officers were out in full force to remind drivers that they must slow down and obey the posted speed limits when they are driving past or near a school.

Police were out front in several of Fort Erie's schools Tuesday morning beginning at 8 a.m. as part of the annual Back to School campaign, now in its 15th year.

The goal of the initiative was to enforce

traffic related offences and raise awareness for all while reminding people of the return of students back to school.

It's important that drivers follow the rules of the road, especially in areas where there are high volumes of children that cross the street.

Sometimes children and teens can become distracted and forget the rules of the road.

Drivers should always be prepared in case a child suddenly darts out into the middle of the road.

There are new driving rules in Ontario and new responsibilities that took effect this month. These changes include higher fines for

distracted driving, as well as new rules for drivers and bicyclists sharing the road.

In addition to these new rules, motorists must remember old rules of the road, which include stopping for a stopped school bus with its stop sign arm extended and its red lights flashing. It's illegal to fail to stop for a stopped school bus. First-time offences can result in fines from \$400 to \$2,000 with six demerit points added to a person's licence.

Remember to slow down, pay attention and drive safe. Let's make sure that everyone stays safe during this school year.

Do You Remember?



Thanks to an anonymous caller, we know two more people in last week's photo of the art lessons. The boy on the left in front of Lee Moore is Brian Mudge and his brother, Raymond is in the centre of the photo. Our caller went to Rose Seaton School with the Mudge brothers and dated this photo to around 1962 when he and Brian would have been in Grade 7-8. This week's photo shows a boy scout receiving an award. We would love to hear from that boy or the adults in this picture. Please call the Fort Erie Historical Museum at 905-894-5322 or e-mail us museum@forterie.on.ca

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Amny Roebuck
Special To The Times

Quilts: the Stories they Tell is a celebration of craftsmanship, friendship, history, tradition and quilting.

All of these marvelous qualities will come together in one exciting day on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at the Stevensville Memorial Hall.

This morning workshop, afternoon exhibit and evening lecture will be headlined by special guest, Nina Stahlschmidt. Stahlschmidt is an author, expert quilter and quilt historian specializing in one of the earliest recycling efforts: the making of feedbags. This event is a joint

project of the Bertie Historical Society, the Bowen Road Women's Institute, the Fort Erie Museum Services and the Fort Erie Public Library, with funding from the Niagara Region through the Niagara Investment in Culture program.

The morning will be busy with a quilting workshop, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Anyone who is interested in the workshop should contact Andrea Wilson at the Fort Erie Historical Museum, 905-894-5322.

An exhibit of quilts, chosen for the fascinating stories of their origins, owners and creators, will open to the public at 1:00 p.m. The lecture by Ms. Stahlschmidt will begin at 7

p.m. Both the exhibit and the lecture are free and open to the public.

The library collection includes many books that feature quilting: how-to books in the non-fiction section, and stories by authors such as Isabella Alan, Sandra Dallas, Earlene Fowler and Jennifer Chaverini. Look for Kaffee Fassett's Brilliant Little Patchworks or Quilt Grandeur, as well as Handbook of Quilting, Making a Sampler Quilt, Piece by Piece. You can place holds on any of these items by visiting our website www.fepi.ca.

In just two days, outstanding CBC journalist and award-winning author Ann-Marie MacDonald will be at

the library to talk about her work, including her latest book *Adult Onset*. Join us at the Centennial branch on Saturday, Sept. 12, for a 1 p.m. reading, with time for a question and answer session.

Copies of her books will be available for sale and signing. We thank the Canada Council for the Arts for their support of this event.

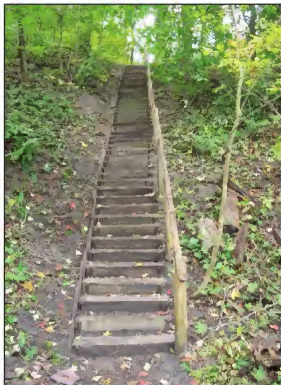
Tickets are \$2, and are available from any branch. Please call ahead to reserve your tickets to ensure seating. MacDonald's newest book is *Adult Onset*, and her other bestsellers include *Fall on Your Knees* and *The Way the Crow Files*.

Tonight's film at the

Centennial branch is *Boychoir*, starring Dustin Hoffman, Kathy Bates, Debra Winger and Garrett Wareing as Stet, a troubled and angry 11-year-old Texas orphan who ends up at a boys' choir school in the East after the death of his single mom.

Uncomfortable in his new surroundings, he finds himself in a battle of wills with a demanding Choir Master who recognizes a unique talent as he pushes the boy to discover his creative soul in music. The movie begins at 6:30 this evening, and will encore at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at the Crystal Ridge branch.

Amny Roebuck is the community services coordinator at the Fort Erie Public Library.



The steps of Marcy Woods

Family breathes new life into Marcy Woods

Earl Plato
Special To The Times

As daughter Allison reopened the gate at Marcy Woods I looked over at the steps leading up to the Upper Trail.

At this moment, I had a flashback.

After Dr. Marcy died, the woods fell into disrepair. There was no more caring. The wooden log steps, all 50 of them suffered greatly. Railings fell apart and steps became dislodged. It was dangerous walking up and down the steps.

Ray Willwerth and I did some repairs. Son-in-law Neil Cudney helped me nail some railings back up. It was not a good situation. Time has passed and there are new steps at Marcy Woods! Over 50, or so leading steeply up the ridge. A secure railing supports us.

Thanks to the DiCenzio family's efforts for the complete restoration.

After Dr. Marcy's death good maintenance was lost. Not so,

anymore. My photo shows the new steps that are greatly improved. Where are you climbing? You are on the Upper Trail.

Turn left and you are heading east. There are secure railings all along. The deep holes that you had to climb in and out are all filled now. You walk on a much more level walkway. Soon you come to a path leading south to the old Marcy cabin.

The DiCenzios have restored and cleared this pathway of fallen trees. Again old steps have been replaced. Great!

However, we walk back and are taking the Upper Trail that I have called the Bird Trail. This narrow pathway follows the Lower Trail below in a horseshoe fashion.

It ends at the cabin. It is not an easy walk. You are up hill and dale. You eventually reach a ridge. Once you surmount this forested sand hill you are at the highest point. Below is Marcy pond and to the south you can see and hear Lake Erie.

Time for a rest. Here each year

we would see and hear the Red bellied woodpeckers. On occasion we may hear the loud rapping of the huge Pileated woodpeckers in the wetlands to the north. In spring you may see a variety of migratory birds.

It was here we saw a Wilson's warbler. Birds take solace in time to enjoy the Bird Trail. Each spring white trilliums border the walkway as they do on the Lower Trail. One year deep in a vale below we saw a fox vixen and two young cubs feasting.

Shiny red coats on them all. I remember area naturalist Rob Eberly and I walking this Upper Trail one Fall. Orb spider time! Countless spider webs across the trail. The Upper Trail is not an easy walk. Yet armed with my trusty walking stick I walked up the new steps and ventured on to the Bird Trail of the Upper Trail at Marcy Woods.

Try it some time.

Earl Plato is a resident of Fort Erie, local historian and nature lover.



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From a war zone, to the great unknown, to home

Rosemary Legge
Special to The Times

War zones, corruption, bribery, gangs, lack of police and government control — issues that seem to happen to 'other people' in 'other places'; unfortunately for a large portion of our world's population, these are daily concerns that make living a simple and secure life impossible.

Yes, we have poverty, gangs, and stories of bribery and corrupt leaders in our own towns in this nation, but in some instances, they seem to pale in comparison to the almost daily litany of things experienced in other parts of the world.

These issues, and many others, often drive people from their home countries to seek refuge in nations that offer a semblance of stability and hope. Canada is one such nation that has, and will hopefully continue to have, offered such necessities to many.

Between 1979 and 1992, El Salvador experienced a violent and terrorizing civil war

that impacted the lives of thousands of residents. People disappeared, were killed, were targets of child soldier recruitment, and many lived in fear for their lives as targets of death squads.

This civil war drove many people to flee the country in order to save their lives and the lives of their families. The Canales family is one such family.

Orlando and Angela Canales met in a factory in San Salvador. El Salvador more than 37 years ago. They were a hard working, loving, and family oriented couple that desired to live peacefully, raise a family, and be a part of their community. Unfortunately, this would not come true for them. Faced with increasing violence in their city, direct threats against them, and fear of their local police and government forces to protect them, the Canales family made the difficult decision to leave El Salvador and try to forge a new life in a new country.

They brought their

family to Canada with the hopes of finding security and safety after having to flee El Salvador's violence. Orlando left first in 1981 and went to the Long Island, NY area hoping that he would be able to establish a home for his family and finally settle.

Nine months later, Angela and her daughter joined Orlando in Long Island and the family began to attempt to navigate the American immigration system. They found it very difficult, had little help, and were unable to fully understand all of the legal requirements due to the language barrier. Orlando needed papers in order to work and ensure that they would be legal in their new home so he thought of returning to El Salvador to obtain them but realized that his life would be in grave danger if he made that choice. A priest whom the family was close to had even arranged for his gift, food, and spending money in order for him to return to El Salvador but

Orlando returned it to him, knowing that it was not the best decision. The priest then informed Orlando that there were choices for the family — Canada or Europe. They contemplated Europe but decided that it was too far and instead chose to seek refuge in Canada.

On April 6, 1985, the Canales family arrived at the Peace Bridge seeking to make a refugee claim. The family had flown into Buffalo, NY after spending some time in Long Island, NY, unable to speak English, not knowing where they were going, or whom to trust. Father, son, daughter, and a pregnant mother arrived with very little information of what to expect but with the help of Sister Bonnie Butler and the Heckman family, that quickly changed. Sister Bonnie Butler and Bob and Charlene Heckman assisted the Canales family to the Peace Bridge Immigration authorities, helped them navigate the initial interview process, and then took

them to the Heckman home where they were to spend their first few nights before moving on to Toronto.

Their arrival date happened to coincide with two important events — Easter Weekend and Orlando's birthday.

Instead of staying for one or two nights with the Heckmans, the Canales family spent the entire weekend with them. Yasmine, their six year old daughter, became their translator, as she understood and spoke the most English in the little family. Not only did the Heckmans share their Easter family dinner with Orlando and his family, they also bought a cake for Orlando's birthday and celebrated with him.

From the beginning, the Canales family began to see that the town and people of Fort Erie were different; they cared, they wanted to help, and they were ready to sacrifice for others.

After talking with the Heckmans and others in the



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Orlando Canales

community, the family decided to make Fort Erie their home. They became one of the first refugee families helped by the Hannigan's, Mindorff's, Anzovino's, and McDowell's, and it was just the beginning of their journey.

Rosemary Legge for the
Fort Erie Multicultural Centre

Health Corner

Invisible Braces

Orthodontics is a branch of dentistry that corrects teeth that are crowded, protruding, or too far apart. Until recently, orthodontic treatment was focused mainly on teenagers, and the preferred method was metal train-track braces. Today, about 20% of orthodontic patients are between twenty and sixty years of age.

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Seeing her in the water is an indescribable feeling

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

For many years, the only way to travel from Buffalo to Crystal Beach was by steamboat.

Many generations of people stepped aboard the SS Canadiana and were shuttled back and forth between Canada and the U.S.

"It would have been very romantic—that's the word I would use," said local history enthusiast and Ridgeway resident Rick Doan.

"Can you imagine sailing across Lake Erie, listening to bands by moonlight? What an experience that would have been."

The Canadiana featured "hand-carved trim" and it had "the largest dance floor on the Great Lakes." At one time "it even had slot machines," Doan said.

The boat's maiden voyage was on May 30, 1910 and it was the transportation of choice until the Peace Bridge was built in 1925.

The boat weighed approximately 974 tonnes and was 215 feet in length.

It was also the last boat built by the Buffalo Dry Dock Company.



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In this 1920 file photo, the Columbia arrives with passengers at Boblo Island, Mich.



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Leisureplex offers cozy reading spot for youngsters

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Two organizations have teamed up to create a cozy reading space at the Fort Erie Leisureplex for youngsters.

The Fort Erie Library and the Fort Erie Rotary Club partnered together to build a new reading area at the arena for children, which features a reading table with four small chairs and two oversized reading chairs for adults.

"We thought this would be a perfect project," said Rotary club member Flo Odding. "We have a lot of bigger projects that will take time and this is something we felt we could complete right away."

Library staff came up with the idea to build the reading area and the Rotary club assisted in making it possible.

Craig Shufelt, the library's chief administrative officer, said he is "really happy" with the completed project.

The Rotary club donated \$3,000 to help purchase the furniture and books for the



Sarah Ferguson Fort Erie Times

The Rotary Club of Fort Erie and the Fort Erie Public Library teamed up to create a cozy reading area at the Fort Erie Leisureplex. From left, are Rotary members John Maurice, Flo Odding, Nancy Dumbrell, Pauline Petek, Perry Heidelberger, Dana Trumann and Larry Graber, chairman of the Fort Erie Public Library board.

reading area. The service organization has committed to providing \$500 each year over the course of the next four years to replenish the books.

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IMPORTANT

The Town of Fort Erie has initiated formal processing of the Downtown Stevestown Core Area CIP as part of the recommendations made at the conclusion of the Stevestown Secondary Plan process locally. While the Town awaits completion of the Region's approval process, it has undertaken the CIP's preparation and processing.

Residents, Business and Property Owners who share an interest in the Town's efforts to extend CIP grant funding programs to the Stevestown Downtown Core Area should read this Public Notice and determine if they wish to offer comments or seek additional information.



HOW WILL THIS AFFECT YOU?

As a property or business owner in the proposed Downtown Stevestown Core Area Community Improvement Project Area (CIPA) you should be aware of and consider the following:

- The Town seeks to implement financial incentive programs for commercially operated properties / buildings within the proposed CIPA shown above.
- The Town is considering offering three (3) financial incentive programs geared towards grant funding for private sector core area mixed use / commercial operations. These include a Commercial Facade Improvement Grant Program, Commercial Facade Signage Grant Program and a Residential Creation and Installation Grant Program. The programs will apply to lands currently zoned Commercial or lands zoned Core Mixed Use By-law 70-2015, once By-law 70-2015 comes into force and effect after the Region's approval of the Stevestown Secondary Plan (SPA 24).
- Subject to certain eligibility criteria and conditions, it is proposed that these three (3) incentive programs be made available for the lands identified on the key map.

PROVIDING YOUR COMMENTS OR GETTING MORE INFORMATION

For comments to be considered in an information Report to Council, your written submission should be provided on or before Friday, September 26, 2015. Comments received after that date will be conveyed to Council at the Public Meeting. Alternatively, you may wish to appear at the meeting to speak directly to Council.

If you wish further information please contact Chris Miller using the contact information provided below, or visit the Town's website at www.forterie.on.ca Type "Downtown CIP" in the search option at the top of the Town's homepage.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you are planning to submit comments, please direct them to:

Chris Miller, MCIP, RPP, Neighbourhood Planner,
 Community and Development Services Department,
 Town Hall, 1 Municipal Centre Drive,
 Fort Erie, Ontario L2A 2S6
 Tel: 905-871-1600, ext. 2503
 Or by e-mailing your comments to: cmiller@town.forterie.on.ca

WHAT THIS CIP PLAN ATTEMPTS TO DO

The Community Improvement Plan will provide opportunities for access to financial incentives being made available by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Niagara Region and various external Agencies. The Programs have eligibility requirements and are commercial focused. The intention is to stimulate physical improvements to the buildings/structures with respect to commercial appearance along the street frontage, one that aims to restore a clearly defined pedestrian oriented downtown village core commercial area" while offering some incentive to increase the residential supply associated with downtowns.

WHO APPROVES THE PLAN?

Town of Fort Erie Council approves the Community Improvement Project Area and Incentive Programs in consultation with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Niagara Region and various external Agencies. Council must first approve a by-law to establish the boundary of the Project Area, followed by a by-law to apply the Programs to that boundary. Once the by-laws are passed, there is a 20 day appeal period before final approval.

STATUTORY PUBLIC MEETING AND FUTURE NOTICE REQUESTS

An information Report will be available at Town Hall or as part of the on-line meeting Agenda package on the Thursday prior to the scheduled Public Meeting date. Town Council has not made a decision on the proposed CIP. A Recommendation Report will be prepared by Community and Development Services staff for consideration by Council at a subsequent date, following public input at this meeting.

The Town of Fort Erie is the approval authority for Community Improvement Plans. Should Town of Fort Erie Council approve the CIP, Notice of its decision will be published in the local paper and sent to any person or public body requesting Notice of Decision. If you seek to appeal the Town's decision to approve the CIP to the Ontario Municipal Board, any such appeal is required to be filed with the Town Clerk. Details on filing an appeal will be provided in the Town's Notice of Decision.

LEGAL NOTICE

If a person, or public body, does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie before the proposed Community Improvement Project Area and Community Improvement Plan are considered for approval, the person, or public body, is not entitled to appeal any decision of the approval authority to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person, or public body, does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Town of Fort Erie before the proposed Community Improvement Project Area and Community Improvement Plan is considered for approval, the person, or public body, may not be added as a party to any hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

If you wish to be notified of Town Council's decision on approval of the Community Improvement Project Area By-law and/or adoption of the Downtown Stevestown Core Area Community Improvement Plan, you must make a written request to:

Laura Bubanko, Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk,
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the unusual and thought bamboo would provide interest. I came across 'false bamboo' (some garden centres still carry it) but thankfully decided to wait and think about it before buying. The fates stepped in because it was shortly afterward that I saw the article in Maclean's Magazine. I did go back to the garden centre with a copy of the article — they weren't aware of how harmful it is and were surprised, shocked even

house values and made it very difficult to get a mortgage or insurance. Homeowners have spent thousands in efforts to remove the plant. Maclean's Magazine reports that U.K. government estimates are that about \$3 billion have been spent so far trying to control this weed alone. Those who dump knottweed could face hefty fines and up to two years in jail.

Shelley Bielek is Vice Chair of Communities in Bloom.

What You Can Do

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- **Do not** get rid of invasive plants in the compost heap — check with your municipality for disposal information.
- If hiking, avoid spreading invasive plants and seeds by **staying on trails** and **keeping pets on a leash**.
- If you find Japanese Knottweed or other invasive species in the wild, contact the Invasive Species Hotline at 1-800-563-7711, or email info@invasingspecies.com
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Reminding youths that helmets save lives

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Fort Erie's Cooper Tice and Kaleb Thompson know how important it is to wear a helmet when riding a bicycle or scooter.

"If people tell me I'm not cool for wearing my helmet, than they're not cool. If they have an accident, they could hit their head," said Tice, a 13-year-old Grade 8 student at Our Lady Of Victory Catholic Elementary School.

"You never know when an accident will happen and you need to be ready for it," said Thompson, 12, who also attends OLV with Tice.

The youths were selected by a random draw and were awarded with new bikes last Thursday afternoon at the Fort Erie Job Gym.

Niagara Regional Police officer Dave Bridel said the youngsters received the bikes as part of the Using Your Head program, the program is an initiative he

started two years ago.

"During the summer months, I award Tim Horntons gift cards to kids I see who are wearing their helmets," he said.

Bridel takes the names of each youth he gives a gift card and enters their name into a draw.

"The goal is to try to teach kids to use their helmets and they'll be rewarded for it."

Bridel estimates about 30 to 40% of youths don't wear helmets while operating a bicycle even though riders under the age of 18 are required by law to wear one.

"I see more teenagers without helmets, usually between the ages of 16, 17 and 18."

Bridel said it's important to ensure both children and adults wear helmets because they can save lives.

"I always say bumps and bruises are going but a head injury is for life."

sarah.ferguson@sunmedia.ca



Sarah Ferguson Fort Erie Times

Niagara Regional Police officer Dave Bridel stood beside Cooper Tice and Kaleb Thompson last Thursday afternoon at the Fort Erie Job Gym. Thanks to a partnership with the NRP, the Job Gym and Tim Horntons, both youths were the recipients of two new bikes purchased from Canadian Tire in Fort Erie. Tice and Kaleb were awarded with new bikes for wearing their helmets while riding bicycles, skateboards and scooters this summer.

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\$5.5M Lakeshore reno wraps up

Greg Furringer
Postmedia Network

Final coats of paint were being rolled onto walls, fresh concrete sidewalks blown clean and earth prepared for landscaping at Lakeshore Catholic High School last week.

When students arrived for the start of a new academic year Tuesday, a lengthy project to upgrade and expand the Port Colborne school was completed.

"I think when the kids see their new digs they're going to be excited," principal Glenn Gifford said.

"We're all under one roof, which is fantastic."

It was in early 2013 that Niagara Catholic District School Board celebrated the Ministry of Education's \$5.5-million construction announcement, for which work started more than a year ago.

Designed by Raimondo + Associates Architects Inc., the addition was contracted to Manocore Group Inc.

It includes 10 new classrooms, which means all 10 portable buildings at the rear of the school will be removed.

Gone, too, will be "all the headaches that come if you were living in your shed," quipped Gifford, noting that outdoor classrooms are notorious for wasp nests, mould risks and icy outdoor treks in winter months.

The new classrooms, with

at least one wall painted the school colour green and with automatic lighting, will be home to ninth-grade classes.

The new lockers will also be used by the freshmen students for their duration at the school, as students at Lakeshore retain the same locker for their entire high school career.

Nearby is a "Gator wellness centre" that will serve as a place to visit the school nurse or chaplain.

The expansion project also includes science lab and student services renovations and much-needed upgrades to its parking lot.

Of particular note for people not under the spell of the school bell, a "crush" area, or a common area, with comfortable leather chairs, a high ceiling and a cross-shaped window now forms a lobby area for the school auditorium used often for theatre productions and other performances, including as home for Port Colborne Operatic Society stage plays.

The auditorium will be renamed Lakeshore Catholic High School Performing Arts Centre.

"Our performing arts centre will be a focal point for both our students and the Port Colborne community," Gifford said.

A student naming contest for the space is expected.

During school hours the common area will be a place for students to associate and falls in with Lakeshore's



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Glenn Gifford, principal at Lakeshore Catholic High School, stands outside the Port Colborne school for which a \$5.5-million expansion is nearly complete. Students noticed a big difference when they returned to the hallways Tuesday.

philosophy of creating a "culture of respect" in which students are treated as young adults.

Similarly, the school's main entrance renovated a number of years ago is a place where students can congregate on benches or cozy up to a bar and do last-minute homework while watching TSN highlights of the previous night's ball

games on a big flat-screen TV.

Gifford, who has taken a very active social media role, including to be featured in videos regularly posted to the school life website LakeshoreCatholic.ca/gators, suggested the school is not just a place to learn algebra and history, but serves as a community for its 1,026 students who attend from Fort

Erie to Dunnville along the Lake Erie shoreline. That community is also closely connected via Twitter.

"If we're going to have an out-of-uniform day, I no longer need to say it on the morning announcements — I just tweet it out to their phones," said Gifford.

How things have changed since Lakeshore opened its

doors in September 1988, when it took occupancy of what had been Lockview Park Secondary School. When the school first opened the national anthem, prayer and morning announcements required all students meet in the auditorium for lack of a working PA system.

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Teen falls in Decew gorge

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St. Catharines firefighters were called to the scene around 4 p.m. Monday.

At the scene firefighters found the girl with injuries to her head.

Platoon Chief Rob Denholander said they believe the girl fell about six to eight metres, striking her head.

Firefighters were able to get the girl out and she was taken by air ambulance to Hamilton.

No further details as to her condition were available.

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Dykstra calls for more refugee sponsors

St. Catharines MP Rick Dykstra's office released a statement on the weekend on the Syrian refugee crisis.

Meanwhile on Monday demonstrators gathered outside his office to demand immigration policies be relaxed so it would be easier for refugees to enter Canada.

In the statement Dykstra outlines three things that can be done from a local perspective to help and assist the refugees and anyone who wants to sponsor them.

Dykstra said that after all that has happened in the past week it is time to show some leadership from a local perspective.

The MP cited his five years of experience as parliamentary secretary at Citizenship and Immigration as an asset and catalyst for this step.

Dykstra hopes to engage anyone who is interested in taking the next step in sponsoring some refugees and at assist them with that.

"There are two files I have at the office," he said. "Two church organizations that are currently working on applications for Syrian refugees."

Dykstra is offering assistance to any person or organization that is considering sponsoring a family.

"When the UN declares an individual or a family as true refugees, we are one of the countries that steps up and accepts our responsibility in terms of percentage of people that we should be taking into Canada to start a new life," said Dykstra.

"From a local perspective you can attempt to move an agenda forward to help some of these people who do wish to resettle into North America and into Canada. Not just talking about it we need to take some action."

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Ruth Vold Markle
Special to The Times

A golden beginning to the autumn season with a later Labour Day weekend has made the kids happy.

Those wonderful sunsets and autumn moons, truly there have been some savor's delights in these evenings. Most Canadians are quiet about our feelings, however these past few weeks golden glow could make even the dullest of us smile.

In our yard and many gardens in town and along the trails those "Black-Eyed Susans" are showing off, adding to the golden hues by day and evening. We might feel the summer season got off to a slower start, but we are having a 'wow' finish.

Completing that 'wow' finish are the tomatoes that are juicier and larger than ever, some early pumpkins on the vine and the squash that never seems to quit.

In fact if we were hiring vegetables to work for us the squash family would be the

super A types—always producing. While the other vegetables are winding down, the squash and tomatoes are neck and neck in production races. All to the good when the winter comes and these canned or frozen vegetables supplement our meals in a nice soup or stew. Here's a recipe for all the goodies in your garden. (See box.)

The laughter of children at recess will soon be heard on our street. My partner in crime and I will head back to the greenhouse at the high school to begin the propagation of all our growth of this summer.

We already have a full table ready to be rooted and reproduced, lots of colour for next spring.

We are ready to begin our herbal experiment as well. We will keep you posted on the outside versus inside progress as the season moves forward.

Moving forward—that over worked phrase that seems to be heard everywhere and applied to many things.

It's hard to stop and enjoy

when you are supposed to be "moving forward." It's difficult to hear the songs of birds, crickets or the sighing of the soft evening wind at the beach or in the trees if you must constantly be "moving forward." Not so easy to "move forward" when you stop to watch the boats on the lake.

These are moments that pass too quickly, so my thought and this is to remind myself too, don't always be "moving forward." Take some time every day to stop and enjoy, even for a few snatched moments from a busy schedule. There is no one that ever regretted hearing laughter from a child or friend, or the song of a bird or beautiful music. No one ever regretted the sight of sunlight shimmering on the water or the moon path on the Lake or the smile of a wee baby. So while you are moving forward, I hope you can stop too.

Until next time, at the beach or on the trail or in the garden or at school or work, keep growing.

Ruth Vold Markle is a member of the Fort Erie Horticultural Society.

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- Mix all ingredients, cover and refrigerate at least two hours.

Steam:

- 3 cups of cauliflowerets (approx 1 lb)
- 2 medium zucchini, cut crosswise into 1 inch slices
- 1 medium red, green or yellow bell pepper, cut into 1/4 inch strips
- 1 lemon half
- Steam vegetables about six minutes or until crisp tender. Arrange on a plate.

Squeeze lemon over vegetables and serve with Herb Sauce. Makes approximately 6 servings. This is lovely as a snack for hungry after school or work and blends delightfully with grilled chicken or pork as a main dish.

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A brick for the young woman who passed a string of vehicles on Netherby Road near Burger Road, and in the process, ran a black SUV off the road coming in the opposite direction on Friday, July 31 at 12:45 p.m. I saw the whole thing happen. What is wrong with you? Were you willing to kill this family and yourself, possibly others, in order to get somewhere on time? Either leave earlier to allow for traffic of get your eye glasses checked or stay completely off the roads. We don't need drivers like you.

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A brick for the cyclists on the Friendship Trail that speed by the walkers and don't let you

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Brick for people who text and drive

A brick for the elderly man I saw who ran a red light while texting. You are a hazard to all of us who had the misfortune to share the road with you. Shame on you sir for not following the rules of the road.

Bouquet for future volunteer firefighters

A bouquet for all of the kids who participated in the Town of Fort Erie's Junior Firefighter Academy. You all worked so hard last week

and learned so much about fire safety. Congratulations.

Brick for the end of summer

A brick for the end of summer. I can't believe September is almost here and it's time to get ready to go back to school. It's always a sad day when I finally have to pack up my sandals and pull out my sweat-

ers, long sleeves and pants. The warm weather just doesn't last long enough.

Brick for TV

A brick for TV. There is never anything good on television and it costs so much money each month just to have it. I wish viewers had more say about what's on the tube but we don't.

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Healthy You

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Meteors coach building a 'young and dynamic team'

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Rob Hubbert is back behind the bench coaching the Fort Erie Meteors this season.

With more than 15 years of coaching experience under his belt, Hubbert is no stranger to hockey.

He joined the Meteors last year after having spent three years guiding the Junior C Chippewa Riverhawks. He also has coached Junior B teams in Welland and Port Colborne.

It's too early to predict how well the Meteors will do this season but Hubbert is hopeful.

"All I can say is so far so good," Hubbert said.

"I like the young guys we've got. We've got four 16 year-olds that are going to be a real pleasure to watch (this season)."

Hubbert said the Meteors would be a "young and dynamic team" this season.

"We've lost some players like Anthony Passero and Rich Demarco. Those guys are hard to replace," he said.

"But you've got guys who have played a limited role last year that are going to have to step up their game and fill

those voids."

This year's coaching staff includes assistant coaches Kevin Dobrint and Chris Lukey, with trainers Lee Randall and Gary Force.

"This year, we made a change. We brought in Chris Lukey. He's going to bring some skill development to our coaching staff. Kevin Dobrint's back. (President) Joe Fazio and myself are here and we're still looking for a goalie coach," Hubbert said.

"We've interviewed a few people but we haven't come to a conclusion on a goalie coach."

Pre-season training is well underway at the Fort Erie Leisureplex but the Meteors have done a "good job" at recruiting.

"Right now, we're piecing the team together. Let's see where it goes," Hubbert said. "At the end of the day, we want to be a young team. We want to stay out of the penalty box and we want to be able to capitalize on our opportunities."

Hubbert said he runs a tight ship and won't accept anything but hard working and disciplined players.

"I want (the Meteors) to be hard working and disciplined. People get mad at me because



Rob Hubbert is back behind the bench coaching the Meteors for a second season.

File Photo Fort Erie Times

of it but I want them to stay disciplined," Hubbert said. "That's the only way you're going to win games."

Although it means long nights for him, Hubbert said coaching the Meteors is "fun"

and he remains dedicated to helping hockey players improve.

"At the end of the day, it's about developing hockey players in this organization. That's where we want to be.

We want to keep developing hockey players so we can move them on to bigger and better things. That's what Junior B is all about."

The Greater Ontario Junior Hockey League season's

regular season kicks off this month with the Meteors' home opener against the Welland Junior Canadians on Sept. 19. Game time is 7:15 p.m.

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Meteors' newest captains prepare for upcoming season

Sarah Ferguson
Fort Erie Times

Defencemen Paolo Sivillotti is proud to wear the 'C' jersey for the Fort Erie Meteors during his third season with the Junior B team.

The honour of being selected as this year's team leader came as a surprise to Sivillotti but it's an honour he is looking forward to.

"It's exciting now that I am here and I get to lead a great group of guys and teach them how to play and how to get better in this league," he said.

"We've got a young team but with this group of captains we've got here I think we're going to do really good. We'll teach the younger guys a few things and have a good season."

Sivillotti said one of the most important traits for any hockey player is confidence and one of his goals is to help his fellow players feel confident on the ice.

"The biggest thing (for a hockey player to have on the ice) is confidence. More than anything else, if you play with confidence, you will do well."

A passion for competition is also essential for any hockey player.

"We're looking for people that want to win, know the game and compete hard every time they play. That's the biggest thing we look for because if your compete level isn't there, you're not going to win."

Sivillotti said it's also important that his teammates keep it simple and work together.

"Don't make it difficult, don't try to do trick plays and you'll do just fine."

According to Sivillotti, hockey teaches valuable life lessons about teamwork, camaraderie and sportsmanship—lessons that can only be learned in the arena.

"(Hockey) is a whole different aspect of what the world is like. This is stuff you won't learn in school or any place else," he said.

"It's an unreal experience. You're playing the best game in the world."

Sivillotti will be joined on the ice by his alternate captains Alex Hurren, Bryce Martin and Mac Passero.

Hurren, a forward in his third year with the Meteors has played minor hockey in Fort Erie for a number of years.

He said joining Fort Erie's Junior B team "was the next best step."



Sara Greene Fort Erie Times

From left, Paolo Sivillotti, Mac Passero, Bryce Martin and Alex Hurren have been selected as this year's team captains for the Fort Erie Meteors.

Martin, a second-year defencemen grew up in Fort Erie and always "wanted to be part of the team."

"It's a bonus to get to be one of the captains with four of the best friends that I grew up with."

Passero, who plays centre is currently in his fourth season with the Meteors.

He said he hopes to teach his fellow team mates "a few things and help them learn

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After the Introductions by chairman John Lunn there was the 50/50 draw, won by Art

Drover and the mystery prize went to Barry Hopkins.

There were 27 teams with the top 14 teams getting an extra point. The low net team winners were Dennis Ferdinand and John Lunn.

Low gross winners were a tie between Al Plato, Dave Ferris, Warren Hanks and Mel Annett. Bob Chapman got closest to the pin on seven and there were 20 guys landing their ball on the green in regulation.

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The family of the late **GENE MARK HILL** would like to express sincere thanks to our family, friends, neighbours, co-workers and community who supported us after the sudden and unexpected death of our beloved husband and father. We truly appreciate all the beautiful floral arrangements, expressions of sympathy, memorial donations, plants, sympathy cards, memory cards and the abundance of food sent to our home and the service. Special thanks to the doctors and staff at Niagara General Hospital and Auroraville Hospital in Hamilton. We wish to express our gratitude for your compassion and professionalism that helped ease the pain at our time of need, to Darnell Plegg and staff, at the Benner Funeral Home. All who knew, worked and played sports with Gene will miss him dearly. Our memories of his gentle, kind and respectful ways will be with us forever. Given and Aileen, "Dude"

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NOYES, Rosalie May (nee Stephenson) - 1920 - 2015 - With deep sadness the family of Rosalie Noyes announces her passing at her residence at Gilmore Lodge on Monday, September 7, 2015, in her 95th year. Rosalie was the fourth of ten children of Alex ("Jimmy") and Amelia ("Dolly") (Clarke) Stephenson of Victoria, Carleton Place, Newfoundland. While working in St. John's, Newfoundland she met her beloved husband of 70 years, Howard "Buzzy" Noyes, while he was stationed in St. John's with the R.C.A.F. They were married in Victoria, her home town, in 1945. Predeceased by infant son, Howard Wesley, three sisters: Irene Gray (Edson) of Mount Pearl, NF, Annie Clarke (Dave) of Victoria, NF, Dorothy Smith (Harold) of Mount Pearl, NF, two brothers: Jack (Doris) of Nanaimo, BC and Alex (Louise) of Victoria, NF, daughters-in-law: Muriel (Boyd) Noyes and grand-daughter Faith Noyes, both of Brandygawley, N. Ireland. Rosalie is survived by sisters Eva Leslie of Webster, NY, Jennie Egbert (John) of Burley, Idaho, and Mary Dave (Ralph) of Upper Gullies, NF, brother Will Stephenson (Jean) of Victoria, NF, her children: Lester (Cynthia), Rosemary Heipel (Chuck), Roslyn Olsen (Roy), and Lowell, six grandchildren: Andrea McKinnon-Matthews (Jim) of Adelaide, South Australia, Stephen Noyes (Linda) of Ottawa, Jesse Olsen and Daniel Olsen of Fort Erie, Andrew Heipel and Julia Heipel of Kitchener, and two great-grandchildren: Liam and Isabelle McKinnon-Matthews of Adelaide, South Australia. A special thank-you to the staff and special people at Gilmore Lodge for their excellent level of care and attention to our mother's well-being. Rosalie will be remembered by the many who knew her for her back yard full of flowers of many descriptions, her many accomplishments and awards as a long-time member of the Ridgeway & District Garden Club, almost 30 years of happy memories to her bowling team the "Happy Gang" as well as many years of attendance and support at the United Brethren in Christ Church, Stevensville. Family and friends may pay their respects at:

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Wednesday, September 9, 2015, from 7-9 p.m. A service celebrating Rosalie's life will be held at the United Brethren in Christ Church, Stevensville, Thursday, September 10 at 10:30 a.m. Private interment at Berlie Brethren in Christ Church Cemetery, Stevensville. In memoriam, donations may be made to the Alzheimer Society of Canada or to a charity of your choice. Condolences and Sharing Memories at: www.williamsfuneralservices.ca

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Sandra Ruth Riddell

(July 25, 1935-August 29, 2015)

Sandra was born in Sarria to Morris (1932-2004) and Jeanne (1904-1988) Riddell. She was the middle child of 5 children. She was a snow white blond, quiet little girl. She grew up in Milton during the sixties where she made some wonderful friends from school and from working at Halton Centennial Manor, in the kitchen. Those friends included Lola Cress Churchill and Nancy Sales Howard, who are still her best friends today. In Milton she met her first husband Tom and had 2 daughters, Shannon and Julianne. They moved to Fort Erie and later separated. Sandy worked at Irvin Industries where she was also a union rep. There she met more best friends, Sandy Barkeley and Annette Bonds, two of many, many friends. When the plant closed Sandy became Clubhouse Manager at Rio Vista golf course. Around that time she met her partner of 21 years, Greg. The two enjoyed travelling, renovating their home, as well as the 8 grandchildren they accumulated between the two families. She was much loved by Greg's daughters, Kristen and Erin. My Sister, Sandy was well known for her kindness, big heart and compassion for people. She helped me care for our Mother and Father until they died. She also took care of Greg's Aunt Doreen until her death from cancer too. I will always remember, My Sister, My Friend, with a big smile because she was "so blond" providing us all with a lot of laughs. She will be sorely missed by myself, my husband Tim, our Daughters, Tracy and Jenn, and grandsons Kristopher and Chase, and our son-in-law Todd.

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